

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES  
OCTOBER 20, 2009**

**Item 1                    call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Judy Stainback. The Aldermen present were Stephen Esterline, Jill Finney, Debra Hickey, Aaron Kruse, and Darrin Snodgrass. The Alderman absent was Tim Bair.

**Item 2                    pledge allegiance**

Everyone rose and recited the United States Pledge of Allegiance.

**Item 3                    announcements**

All announcements were submitted to the Board of Aldermen in writing.

**Item 4                    adoption and approval of consent agenda**

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to adopt and approve the consent agenda which included October 6, 2009 minutes; October 10, 2009 minutes; Bills to pay in the amount of \$21,774.09; and DNR/SRF inspection reports. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The motion passed.

**Item 5                    City Administrator updates**

City Administrator updates were submitted in writing to the Board of Aldermen.

**Item 6                    public input**

No one signed up to speak.

**Item 7a                  Anderson Engineering updates**

Anderson Engineering updates were submitted in writing.

**Item 7b                  motion on Cloverdale Lane sidewalk project**

A motion was made by Debra Hickey to accept the bid for the installation of sidewalk on Cloverdale from Elm Street to Weaver Road from Hunter Chase Associates at a bid projection cost of \$55,879. The motion was seconded by Stephen Esterline. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The motion passed.

**Item 7c                  motion on possible sidewalk project on Elm Street from Cloverdale Lane to Tower Drive**

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to authorize Anderson Engineering to estimate the cost of extending the Cloverdale Lane sidewalk project from Cloverdale Lane to Tower Drive. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The motion passed.

**Item 7d                  motion on sewer rate increase**

A motion was made by Debra Hickey to have the first reading of Bill #09-23 by title only. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-23 was read by title by the City Clerk. A motion was made by Debra Hickey to approve the first reading of Bill #09-23. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye.

A motion was made by Aaron Kruse to have the second reading of Bill #09-23 by title only. The motion was seconded by Debra Hickey. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The motion passed. Bill #09-23 was read by the City Clerk. A motion was made by Aaron Kruse to approve the second reading for final passage of Bill #09-23. The motion was seconded by Debra Hickey. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline nay, Jill Finney nay, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass nay. The motion did not pass.

**Item 7e                  motion on ½ cent sales tax on April 2010 ballot**

A motion was made by Aaron Kruse to authorize the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance to add a ½ cent general sales tax increase on the April 2010 ballot for law enforcement use only. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass nay. The motion passed.

**Item 7f                  motion on EEZ application**

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to authorize the Mayor to apply for EEZ for the entire urban service area of the City of Battlefield. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The motion passed.

**Item 8a                  discussion on strategic planning sessions**

The Board of Aldermen was in consensus that there should be a line item added to the agenda the first meeting of every month that states, "Discuss and possible vote concerning strategic planning".

**\*Item 8b                    \*motion on Bill #09-26, concerning tall grass and weeds**

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to have the first reading of Bill #09-26, concerning tall grass and weeds by title only. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-26 was read by title by City Clerk. A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to approve the first reading of Bill #09-26. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye.

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to have a second reading of Bill #09-26 by title only. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-26 was read by title by City Clerk. A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to approve the second reading for final passage of Bill #09-26. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. There was much discussion concerning the hay permit and fines. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline nay, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey nay, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-26 failed.

**Item 9                    closed session**

A motion was made by Aaron Kruse to go into closed session to discuss and possibly vote concerning potential litigation under Section 610.021(1)RSMo. The motion was seconded by Stephen Esterline. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The Board of Aldermen went into closed session at 8:18 pm.

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. The Board of Aldermen came out of closed session at 8:43 pm.

The Mayor announced that there was no vote taken in closed session.

**\*Item 8b                    \*motion on Bill #09-26, concerning tall grass and weeds (revisited per Alderman Hickey's request)**

A motion was made by Debra Hickey to revisit and reconsider Item 8b concerning tall grass and weeds. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline nay, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass nay.

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to have the first reading of Bill #09-26 by title only. The motion was seconded by Debra Hickey. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-26 was read by title by City Clerk. A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to approve the first reading of Bill #09-26. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye.

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to have the second reading of Bill #09-26 by title only. The motion was seconded by Debra Hickey. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-26 was read by title by City Clerk. A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to approve the second reading for final passage of Bill #09-26. The motion was seconded by Jill Finney. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline nay, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Bill #09-26 passed into Ordinance #09-26.

**Item 10                    adjournment**

A motion was made by Darrin Snodgrass to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Aaron Kruse. A roll call vote was taken with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Jill Finney aye, Debra Hickey aye, Aaron Kruse aye, and Darrin Snodgrass aye. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

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Mayor Judy Stainback

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Date

**ATTEST:**

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Susan R Diehl, CMC/MRCC

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